

The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

19 March 1986

Mr. Leo Cherne
Vice Chairman
President's Foreign Intelligence
Advisory Board
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Leo,

Thank you for your very thoughtful note. I must say it has been a rewarding experience to work with you and the Board. I say that not only from a personal standpoint but a professional one as well. The Agency and the Intelligence Community have prospered greatly over the years from your support, which has never diminished in the least. I do leave the Agency in a very upbeat situation, not only because of the support from outside but also because of having Bill Casey at the helm. It has been nice to work for a guy with the knowledge and enthusiasm, not to mention clout, of Bill Casey.

Again, my thanks for all you have done for us. Please keep it up. With best wishes and warm regards.

Sincerely,

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Office of Communications
Room 1B-2710, Headquarters

Ellie,

My thanks to you and all my colleagues in Commo for your very thoughtful retirement card. Needless to say, after all these years, I look upon it with a great deal of anticipation. My greatest sadness is leaving behind so many dedicated and thoughtful people. This nation is well blessed by the kind of folks, like yourself, who have been attracted to the Agency and give so unstintingly of their lives to the mission of the Agency.

With great admiration and respect.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Edward P. Boland
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Chairman:

A brief note to thank you for your very kind and thoughtful words on the floor of the House on my behalf. It indeed has been an honor not only to serve with the Agency but to carry out its mission with the support and guidance of people like yourself. We well appreciate the fair and even treatment we have received at your hands. I remember well back in the dark days of 1979 that you led the charge to rebuild our intelligence program. For that this country can indeed be most grateful.

I wish you well and continued success in the Congress and I hope that I have the pleasure of having our paths cross again. With warm regards and great respect.

Sincerely,



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The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Senator Moynihan:

A brief but I hope meaningful note to thank you for your very gracious and thoughtful words on the floor of the Senate in my behalf. It is not often that one has the privilege and honor of being so identified in the distinguished chambers of our Congress.

I thank you not only for your kind words but also the support and influence you have brought to bear to ensure that our nation's intelligence program is strong and responsible. Intelligence does not have much of a constituency of its own and we indeed are very grateful when our members of Congress stand tall on our behalf. We and this nation can stand nothing less. We thank you for both your sagacious advice and your support for rebuilding our intelligence effort.

You have my best wishes for continued success and my warm regards.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Lee H. Hamilton
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Chairman:

A brief note to thank you for your very kind words in my behalf in the House record. Needless to say, I have had a very rewarding experience and I savor that experience all the more when I hear comments from the Chairman of our Oversight Committee. I thank you personally for all your support as well as the support you have given our nation's intelligence effort. I wish you continued success and warm regards.

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The Honorable Romano L. Mazzoli
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Rom,

Thank you for your very kind and thoughtful note upon my retirement. Needless to say it has been an experience second to none to have served with the Agency for some 34 years. Indeed, the highlight has been for the past eight years when I spent so much of that time working with the Congress. I thank you not only for the confidence and support you have given me personally but for the commitment you have given to our Intelligence Community across the board. We have indeed profitted immeasurably not only from that support but from your personal guidance, counsel and, at times, just criticism.

With my very best wishes and great respect.

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The Honorable Charles McC. Mathias, Jr.
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Senator Mathias:

Thank you for your very kind note upon my retirement. While I am sure that whatever vacuum I leave can be readily and successfully filled, I have been saddened at the thought of your retirement. Needless to say you well deserve it, but as a Maryland citizen and as an American who has profited from your tenure in the Senate, I realize that you indeed will leave shoes that will be difficult to fill.

The past four years have indeed moved very quickly, but I must say that I am proud and pleased that you took the time to nominate me for the job I now hold and leave. It was indeed an honor and all my pleasure. You have my best wishes for success and relaxation and my warm regards.

Sincerely,



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The Honorable Caspar W. Weinberger
Secretary of Defense
Washington, D.C. 20301

Cap,

Thank you for your very kind and thoughtful note upon my retirement. It indeed has been fun and in the 34 plus years that I have been with the Agency, I have never had a job I didn't like. It has been a pleasure to work with the key members of this Administration. I am forever grateful for the very visible and concrete support that you yourself have given to the intelligence effort. There is no question in our minds that you have been a firm believer in intelligence and that you were quite prepared to put your money on the table to back that up.

The past five years I have had the distinct honor of working closely with Bill Casey, who indeed is an institution that this government should treasure. The two of you make a team that this nation should long be proud of. I have treasured the rare opportunity to share some of it.

With best wishes for continued success and my warm regards.

Sincerely,



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